



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS
MAJURO, MARSHALL ISLANDS 96960

March 12, 1998

Mr. Tom Bell
RMI Program Director
Office of International Health
U.S. Department of Energy
Germantown, MD

Dear Mr. Bell,

I am informed that the Department of Energy will be convening a series of meetings in Majuro to discuss environmental and other issues with some of the local atolls. I also understand that the meetings that will take place later this month and do not represent the annual government-to-government meetings we collectively participate in.

Because the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Marshallese public also have continued interests in your Department's work in the Republic, I would like to request that your series of meetings begin and end with a larger meeting open to all interested Marshall Islands and U.S. Government officials and the public.

The Ministry will make a conference room at the Nitijela building available to the Department of Energy for both the larger group meetings, and the individual atoll meetings. Please work with Mr. Joseph Bigler from my office to make the necessary arrangements for the Nitijela meeting room.

I hope this request does not inconvenience you. I assure you that the Ministry's interest is in ensuring that our governments continue to work together closely and cooperatively on issues of mutual concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RM' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

Robert Muller
Secretary of Foreign Affairs

Copy to:

HE Joan M Plaisted
US Ambassador to RMI